1 AUG 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR:	Chief, Procurement Division, OL
FROM:	Deputy Chief, Procurement Division, OL
SUBJECT:	Procurement of Security Containers

- 1. On 17 August, I contacted Ms. Marianna Cole, a GSA office furniture contracting officer. The purpose of the call was to discuss the possible acquisition by the Agency of a quantity of security containers (safes) that would exceed the maximum order limitation (MOL) of \$25,000. In addition, I explained certain constraints that might be imposed upon us by Office of Security recommendations in respect to the type of safe we could procure.
- 2. Ms. Cole stated that, based on information in her files, Mosler, Diebold, Schawb, and Art Metals (Hillside) were all viable contractors that should be afforded the opportunity to bid on any such procurement by the Agency. Since she was not positive about the contractual status between GSA and these contractors, it was suggested I call Mr. Clarence Robinson, a senior safe contracting officer attached to the GSA Region 3 office. I contacted Mr. Robinson who stated that GSA could readily obtain what we wanted (Class 6 Mosler and Class 5 Diebold) on a definite quantity buy. Furthermore, there should be no concern in competing our requirements since only Diebold and Mosler were under contract with GSA at this time.
- 3. As an aside, Mr. Robinson stated the MOL for safes would in all probability be increased to \$50,000 on 1 December 1979.

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